

The 'Pick List'

Choosing an Employment Provider
in Hancock County

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Indiana Vocational
Rehabilitation Services

How to Use This List

As a client of Indiana Vocational Rehabilitation Services (VR), you are now a part of a team focused on your employment goals. VR has a list of employment service providers located throughout the state. These providers will help you achieve your goals by giving you the supports and services you need—things like help with writing a resume, filling out applications, or on-the-job coaching.

Now that your counselor has determined you are eligible for services, you have the opportunity to select an employment provider in your area. On the following pages, you’ll find the employment providers in your county along with their contact information and a list of services they offer.

Be sure to ask your VR counselor if you don’t know what some of the services are. The services you need will depend on your goals. You may not need all of the services you see listed on the chart.

We encourage you to contact each of the providers on this list. You can call them, set up a meeting, or send an email. Tell them you are a VR client and you would like to talk with them about the services they offer. Take notes so you can compare providers and choose the one that’s right for you. It’s important to select the provider you feel most comfortable working with and the one that you think can best help you meet your goals.

Once you’ve chosen an employment provider, tell your VR counselor. She/he will get things started for you.

Any questions? Ask your VR counselor!

My VR Counselor	
Name	
Phone	
Email	

Hancock County Provider Contact Info

Address	Contact	Individuals Served	
Adult and Child Center Main Office & Service Site Location: 222 E. Ohio St. Indianapolis, IN 46204 *Provider serves 10 counties with other service sites in the following counties: Johnson and Marion.	Jane Wiles (317) 902-2901 jwiles@adultandchild.org	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developmentally Disabled 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mental Illness • Legal Barriers
Autism Society of Indiana Main Office & Service Site Location: 3951 N. Meridian Street, Ste. 220 Indianapolis, IN 46208 *Provider serves 14 counties.	Kathy Darling (800) 609-8449 Ext. 95 kdarling@inautism.org	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developmentally Disabled 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Autism Specialty
Benchmark Human Services Main Office & Service Site Location: 8515 Bluffton Road Fort Wayne, IN 46809 *Provider serves 49 counties.	Glenda Agostino (317) 522-8493 gagostino@benchmarkhs.com	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deaf • Blind • Developmentally Disabled 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transition-Age Students • Traumatic Brain Injury • Mental Illness
Bosma Enterprises Main Office & Service Site Location: 8020 Zionsville Rd. Indianapolis, IN 46268 *Provider serves 8 counties with other service sites in the following county: Marion.	Kristy Russell (317) 704-8250 kristyr@bosma.org	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Blind 	
Child Adult Resource Services, Inc. (C.A.R.S.) Main Office & Service Site Location: 210 North Dormeyer Avenue Rockville, IN 47872 *Provider serves all 92 counties with other service sites in the following counties: Clay, Delaware, Howard, Knox, Marion, Montgomery, Putnam, Tippecanoe, Vanderburgh, and Vigo.	1) Carrie Kline (765) 337-1506 ckline@cars-services.org 2) Jeff Uhey (765) 569-2076 juhey@cars-services.org	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deaf • Blind • Developmentally Disabled 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Traumatic Brain Injury • Mental Illness
Easter Seals Crossroads Main Office & Service Site Location: 4740 Kingsway Drive Indianapolis, IN 46205 *Provider serves 9 counties with other service sites in the following county: Marion.	Marjorie Mansfield (317) 466-2001 Ext. 2427 mmansfield@eastersealscrossroads.org	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deaf • Blind • Developmentally Disabled 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transition-Age Students • Traumatic Brain Injury • Mental Illness • Veterans
Gallahue Behavioral Health Services Main Office & Service Site Location: 6950 Hillsdale Court Indianapolis, IN 46250 *Provider serves 3 counties with other service sites in the following county: Marion.	Kim Barrett (317) 355-3104 KBarrett@ecommunity.com	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mental Illness 	

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Globe Star, LLC Main Office & Service Site Location: 621 Broadway Chesterton, IN 46304	John Kremke (219) 921-5492 Ext. 5 jkremke@globe-star.org	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deaf • Blind • Developmentally Disabled • Traumatic Brain Injury • Mental Illness 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alcohol/Drug Substance Abuse • Unemployed/Underemployed • Physical Disabilities
*Provider serves all 92 counties with other service sites in the following counties: Kosciusko, Marion, Porter, and St. Joseph.			
Goodwill Industries of Central Indiana, Inc. Main Office & Service Site Location: 1635 W. Michigan Indianapolis, IN 46222	Nicki Washburn (317) 524-4271 nwashburn@goodwill-indy.org	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deaf • Blind • Developmentally Disabled 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transition-Age Students • Mental Illness • Nurse-Family Partnership
*Provider serves 8 counties with other service sites in the following county: Marion.			
Hopewell Center, Inc. Main Office & Service Site Location: 5325 Main Street Anderson, IN 46013	Connie Kurtz (765) 642-0201 ckurtz@hopewellcenter.org	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deaf • Blind • Developmentally Disabled 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transition-Age Students • Traumatic Brain Injury • Mental Illness
*Provider serves 5 counties with other service sites in the following county: Madison.			
Indiana Mentor Main Office & Service Site Location: 8925 N. Meridian St., Ste. 200 Indianapolis, IN 46260	Chrissie Beik (317) 208-7733 Christine.beik@thementornetwork.com	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deaf • Blind • Developmentally Disabled 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transition-Age Students • Traumatic Brain Injury • Mental Illness
*Provider serves all 92 counties with other service sites in the following counties: Allen, Jackson, Lake, Lawrence, Miami, Monroe, St. Joseph, and Tippecanoe.			
Noble Main Office & Service Site Location: 7701 E. 21st Street Indianapolis, IN 46219	Deb Okotie (317) 815-6236 D.okotie@mynoblelife.org	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deaf • Blind • Developmentally Disabled 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transition-Age Students • Traumatic Brain Injury • Mental Illness
*Provider serves 9 counties with other service sites in the following counties: Marion and Wayne.			
Shares, Inc. Main Office & Service Site Location: 1611 S. Miller Street Shelbyville, IN 46176 Service Site Location: 645 S. State St. 9 Greenfield, IN 46140 Service Site Location: 521 Conrad Harcourt Way Rushville, IN 46173	Alfonso Andolz (317) 398-8218 aandolz@sharesinc.org	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deaf • Developmentally Disabled 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Blind • Traumatic Brain Injury • Mental Illness
*Provider serves 11 counties with other service sites in the following counties: Rush and Shelby.			

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Sycamore Services, Inc. Main Office & Service Site Location: 1001 Sycamore Lane Danville, IN 46122	Deborah Mitchell (317) 690-5495 damitchell@sycamoreservices.com Angela Hagler (317) 451-4887 adhagler@sycamoreservices.com	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deaf • Blind • Developmentally Disabled 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transition-Age Students • Traumatic Brain Injury • Mental Illness • Physical Disabilities
*Provider serves 38 counties with other service sites in the following counties: Hendricks, Marion, Morgan, and Vanderburgh.			
Tangram, Inc. Main Office & Service Site Location: 5155 Pennwood Place Indianapolis, IN 46205	Jessica Bowlds (317) 968-9018 jbowlids@thetangramway.org	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deaf • Developmentally Disabled 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Blind • Mental Illness
*Provider serves 8 counties with other service sites in the following county: Marion.			

Provider Employment Services

This chart lets you compare providers based on the services they offer.

Additional Services Legend

AT – Assistive Technology
 BI – Behavioral Intervention Services
 BIN – Benefits Information Network
 DE – Driver Education & Training
 HM – Home Modifications
 MH/C – Mental Health Therapy and Counseling
 OT – Occupational Therapy
 PT – Physical Therapy
 TTW – Ticket to Work

Provider	Situational Assessment	Job Shadows	Vocational Assessment	Work Experience	Job Development/ Placement/ Retention	Job Readiness Training	On-the-Job Supports	Supported Employment	Additional Services
Adult and Child Center	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	BIN and TTW
Autism Society of Indiana	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	TTW
Benchmark Human Services	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	BIN
Bosma Enterprises	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	BIN and TTW
Child Adult Resource Services, Inc. (C.A.R.S.)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	BIN and TTW
Easter Seals Crossroads	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	AT, BI, BIN, DE, HM, and TTW
Gallahue Behavioral Health Services	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	BIN, MH/C, and TTW
Globe Star, LLC	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	BIN and TTW
Goodwill Industries of Central Indiana, Inc.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	BIN and TTW
Hopewell Center, Inc.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	BIN
Indiana Mentor	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	BIN and TTW

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Noble	Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	BIN
Shares, Inc.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	BIN
Sycamore Services, Inc.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	AT, BIN, HM, OT, PT, and TTW
Tangram, Inc.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	BIN and TTW

Glossary

Assistive Technology

Any equipment, item, or technology used to improve function and capability.

Benefits Information Network

A group of Indiana professionals who have been trained in and have knowledge of federal, state, and local benefits and work incentives. BIN liaisons understand the impact of income on long-term supports and services and can advise workers and families on how best to maintain employment while building more financial independence.

Discovery

An opportunity to explore talents, interests, preferences, capabilities, and ideal work environment in order to identify an appropriate vocational goal. Specific Discovery activities vary based on individual need, but could include vocational testing, job shadowing, or career exploration.

Home and Wheelchair Modification

Any change to a home or workplace environment that can help an employee get to work or access a job site. Examples could include widening a doorway or creating a keyboard tray for a wheelchair.

Job Development/Placement/Retention

The process of working with an employer to either identify appropriate jobs and promote an individual with disabilities as a job candidate or help an individual keep a job.

Job-Readiness Training

The process of assisting clients in identifying goals as well as training strategies designed to help an individual meet them.

Job Shadowing

The opportunity to visit an employer in the community and observe different jobs.

On-the-Job Supports

Supports provided in the workplace to help an employee learn and maintain a job. These include the use of a job coach or consultation with an employment specialist.

Situational Assessments

Activities that give an employment provider the chance to observe an individual in a certain working environment or doing a specific job task.

Supported Employment

Paid, community-based employment with ongoing supports that can help individuals learn tasks, be included, and keep their jobs.

Ticket to Work

A free work incentive program from the Social Security Administration for some people with disabilities who receive Supplemental Security Income (SSI) or Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI). Eligible individuals can assign their “ticket” (not a real paper ticket) to an employment network or to Indiana Vocational Rehabilitation Services for coordinating job search, placement, and retention services.

Work Experiences

First-hand, work-based learning opportunities that can help determine individual interests and preferences.